



DeSoto County Board of Supervisors

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DESOTO COUNTY, MS – The Desoto County Board of Supervisors is pleased to announce it secured 75,800 face masks to distribute to citizens for free.

It is part of the Mississippi Community Mask Program in partnership with the Mississippi State Department of Health and Mississippi Emergency Management Agency. The county is providing a portion of the masks to the cities in DeSoto County for distribution.

The masks will be distributed Saturday, May 30, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at 12 drive-thru locations across the county. The locations are listed on the next page.

These masks are for personal use and intended to be worn while in public to help limit the spread of COVID-19. The state-run mask program requires distribution only to residents of Mississippi. Vehicles in the drive-thru mask line must have Mississippi tags and/or a person in the vehicle must show a Mississippi photo ID. Residents may receive up to two masks per person, but supplies are limited so come early.

“As the state prepares to reopen all businesses, it’s important that people who need or want to wear a mask, are able to get one,” said District 4 Supervisor Lee Caldwell. “We are happy to be able to provide free masks to anyone in the county who wants one.”

Volunteer Fire Department members will hand out masks in unincorporated DeSoto County. Hernando, Horn Lake, Southaven, and Olive Branch are responsible for handing out the masks each municipality received. All communities agreed to hold the mask giveaway at the same time.

“We are thankful to our county firefighters and others who are volunteering to hand out face masks this Saturday,” said District 2 Supervisor Mark Gardner. “When there is a need, you can count on DeSoto County to pull together and help others.”



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DeSoto County Drive-thru Mask Distribution Locations:

ACI Volunteer Fire Department

10145 Holly Springs Rd
Hernando, MS 38632

Bridgetown Volunteer Fire Department

3980 Malone Rd
Nesbit MS 38651

Eudora Volunteer Fire Department

9341 Hwy 304
Hernando, MS 38632

Fairhaven Volunteer Fire Department

13701 Center Hill Rd
Olive Branch, MS 38654

Lewisburg High School (Lewisburg VFD)

1755 Craft Rd
Olive Branch, MS 38654

Love Volunteer Fire Department

7345 Hwy 51 S
Hernando, MS 38632

Nesbit Volunteer Fire Department

3233 Nesbit Rd
Nesbit, MS 38651

Walls Volunteer Fire Department

6085 Hwy 161
Walls, MS 38680

City Drive-thru Mask Distribution Locations:

Horn Lake Intermediate School

6585 Horn Lake Rd
Horn Lake, MS 38637

DeSoto Central High School

2911 Central Pkwy
Southaven, MS 38672

Hernando Fire Station #2

957 Hwy 51N
Hernando, MS 38632

Olive Branch High School

9366 E Sandidge Rd
Olive Branch, MS 38654

About The DeSoto County Board of Supervisors

The DeSoto County Board of Supervisors is the governing body of DeSoto County. Supervisors provide leadership over critical areas, including policies necessary to ensure safe communities, protect public health, plan and manage land use, and promote economic development.

Supervisors have full authority over roads and bridges in unincorporated DeSoto County, county law enforcement, collections, fines, and levying taxes. The Board is responsible for establishing policy for the complex multi-million dollar budgets of county government. While each supervisor represents his or her district, all members are expected to look after the good of the county as a whole.

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